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DETAILED ACTION

1. The reply filed on May 20, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

Applicants elect Species C(Figure 7) indicating that claims 5 and 12 read on Figure 7. It appears to the examiner that Figure 8 includes the features of claims 5 and 12 of a cylindrical section with angled or slanted surfaces while Figure 7 lacks the indicated features. Clarification is requested. It may be that applicants intended to elect Species D(Figure 8). See 37 CFR 1.111. 

 2. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Exmr. Butler whose telephone number is (703) 308-2575. The examiner is normally in the USPTO Monday-Friday from 5:30 a.m. to 2:00p.m. Although the examiner may not always be present in his office to immediately answer the phone when called, the examiner will make every effort to return the call as soon as possible. If the examiner does not answer his phone, the examiner suggests that a brief message be recorded on the examiner's voice mail machine when necessary and appropriate. The examiner normally checks recorded phone calls at least once a day unless on leave.

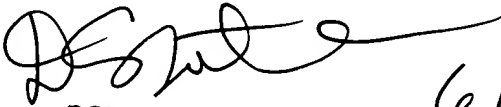
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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1113.


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